

FINANCE AND TRADE.

Gold advanced a fraction in New York yesterday, having opened at 141, advanced to 141 1/2 at 11:30, declined to 141 1/4 at 12:30, 141 1/4 at 2:30 and closed at 141 1/4 at 4 p. m. The transactions in gold here are very light and brokers were paying 140 and holding at 142.

Government securities were quoted in New York yesterday as follows:

5-20 Registered	107 1/2
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London advices of the 3d inst. quote 5-20's at 70 1/2.

Exchange on New York is in good demand and the rate is par buying and 1/16 premium selling.

Bank of Tennessee is decidedly dull, without any particular cause to be assigned, excepting the scarcity of currency, and brokers are offering 47 1/2, at which rate considerable quantities were bought yesterday. Planters' Bank is firm at 82 cents buying and 83 cents selling. There is not much demand for Union Bank notes, and brokers are buying quite freely at 70c.

Southern Bank notes are still depressed in this and other markets, and they can only be sold at reduced rates.

Nashville Corporation checks are quite abundant on the market, though as yet the rate is unchanged.

The Memphis Commercial and Argus of the 1st inst. says of the Bank of West Tennessee:

"The issues of this Bank are quoted at about 42 per cent. on the dollar. About a month ago Mr. Thos. S. Marr, of Nashville, sued the institution for the full amount of its issues, on notes amounting to several thousand dollars, and employed Heiskell, White & Heiskell, of this city, as his counsel. Judgments were obtained before Judge Crockett for the par value of the Bank's notes, in fifty or sixty cases, and the result cannot be gainsaid. Several other cases of the same kind have since been decided in favor of the plaintiff, and the result cannot be gainsaid. Several other cases of the same kind have since been decided in favor of the plaintiff, and the result cannot be gainsaid."

The amount of National Bank notes issued gradually increased between June 10, 1865, and November 1, 1866, from \$137,772,705 to \$295,354,854, a difference of \$157,582,149, the progress of the movement being shown by the following table:

1865.	1866.
June 10.....	\$137,772,705
July 10.....	140,000,000
Aug. 10.....	146,000,000
Sept. 3.....	177,487,230
Oct. 6.....	194,182,000
Nov. 5.....	217,276,000
Dec. 3.....	25,402,825
1866.	
Jan. 7.....	240,004,565
Feb. 4.....	\$21,300,050
March 4.....	238,402,790
April 1.....	247,247,710
May 20.....	274,658,185
June 10.....	278,905,075
Aug. 18.....	288,403,775
Sept. 1.....	287,015,820
Oct. 1.....	293,032,000
Nov. 1.....	295,304,810